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- 1. THOUGH BRAZIL DID NOT ATTEND SAN JOSE MEETING MENTIONED REFTEL, GOB SHARES GENERAL LA VIEWS ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANANA MARKET AND INTENDS TO PARTICIPATE IN BREMEN MEETING IN JULY. GOB IS CONCERNED WITH DEFENDING PRICE LEVEL AGAINST ITS CONTINUING SLIPPAGE. THERE IS ALSO INTEREST IN SETTING UP NEW CRITERIA FOR THE TAXATION OF BANANAS. THIS INTEREST PRIMARILY STEMS FROM THE TAX STRUCTURE IMPOSED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.
- 2. BRAZIL'S PRODUCTION OF BANANAS IS ONE OF THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD, ESTIMATES AVERAGE OUTPUT AT TEN MILLION TONS PER YEAR. PRODUCTION IS GEARED, HOWEVER, FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION WITH EXPORTS REACHING ABOUT 3000,000 TONS PER YEAR. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT BRAZILIAN PRODUCERS WOULD ATTEMPT TO ENGAGE MORE ACTIVELY IN INTERNATIONAL MARKET COMPETITION IF MARKET STRUCTURE IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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